## HAMBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: EMPLOYEES

TITLE: SUSPENSIONS/FURLOUGHS

ADOPTED: August 24, 2015

**REVISED:** 

		311. SUSPENSIONS/FURLOUGHS
1.	Authority SC 406, 1106	The Board is responsible for maintaining appropriate numbers of administrative, professional and support employees to effectively manage and operate the district and its schools. This policy establishes the manner in which necessary reductions of staff shall be accomplished.
	SC 524, 1124, 1125.1	The Board has the authority and responsibility to determine how suspensions of district employees shall be made when necessary, in accordance with law, individual contracts and collective bargaining agreements.
2.	Delegation of Responsibility	The efficiency and effectiveness of district organization and staffing shall be under continuing review, and recommendations for abolishing positions and reallocating duties shall be presented for Board consideration when the Superintendent considers such actions to be in the best interests of the district.
		The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that reduction of staff is implemented in accordance with applicable laws.
	SC 1123 Pol. 313	Data necessary for computation of each certificated administrative and professional employee's rating and seniority status shall be recorded and maintained.
		Data necessary for computation of each noncertificated administrative and support employee's seniority status shall be recorded and maintained.
	SC 1124, 1125.1	Certificated administrative and professional employees shall be suspended for causes consistent with law in inverse order of seniority in the district. Reinstatements from a list of suspended professional employees shall be made on the basis of their seniority within the district.

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Should the need for suspension arise, the following order shall be followed:

- 1. Full-time substitutes.
- 2. Temporary professional employees.
- 3. Professional employees.

Suspended professional employees shall be reinstated, if enrollment or programs so warrant, in the inverse order of their suspension if properly certificated in the subject area required.

SC 1125.1

The district shall realign its professional staff to ensure that more senior employees are provided with the opportunity to fill positions for which they are certified and which are being filled by less senior employees. Such realignment, however, will not be construed to require curriculum changes or department revisions.

SC 1125.1 2 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 551 et seq Certificated administrative and tenured professional employees have the right to a Local Agency Law hearing, and the decision to suspend shall be considered an adjudication for the purpose of that hearing.

2 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 551 et seq

Temporary professional employees are entitled to a Local Agency Law hearing at the request of the employee.

SC 1125.1

To be considered available for reinstatement, suspended certificated administrative and professional employees must annually report in writing to the Board their current address and intent to accept the same or a similar position when offered.

Noncertificated administrative and support employees may be entitled to a Local Agency Law hearing prior to suspension, at the employee's request.

No new appointments shall be made while there are suspended professional employees available who are properly certificated to fill such vacancy.

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 406, 524, 1106, 1123, 1124, 1125.1

Local Agency Law – 2 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 551 et seq.

Board Policy -000, 313